

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
C. Edward Luker

Serial No.: 09/876,336

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For: Double Shell Closure with Support
Ribs

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R119d

AMENDMENT A UNDER RULE 111

Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2002 reconsideration of the above referenced application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-27 remain in the application.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (once amended) A container closure comprising:

- a. a top, having an interior surface and an exterior surface; *(A)*
- b. an annular outer skirt, depending from and being centered on the interior surface of said top,
said outer skirt having a first face which faces inward toward the center of said outer skirt, a second
face which faces outward from said skirt, a top edge which abuts said top, and a bottom edge, and
said outer skirt having a first diameter at the top edge of the outward face and a second diameter at
the bottom edge of the outward face wherein said top diameter is greater than said bottom diameter
(103)
causing said outer skirt to have a frusto-conical configuration on the exterior surface;